

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please insert the following priority statement prior to paragraph [01] of the specification:

Applicant claims priority under Rule 371 to PCT/GB00/03141, filed August 14, 2000.

Before paragraph [020], please delete the heading entitled "**DETAILED DESCRIPTION**" and replace it with "**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**".

Please amend paragraph [020] according to the following marked-up version of the paragraph.

[020] The present invention will now be further illustrated by means of the following Examples in which Example 1 investigates the percentage fluoride retention for 25 samples of glass compositions according to the present invention; Example 2 investigates the percentage of fluoride in saliva following attachment of a glass composition of the present invention to a patient's tooth; Example 3 investigates the way that percentage fluoride in slow-releasing glass devices formed from glass compositions according ~~accordingly~~ to the present invention affects fluoride release; [[,]] Example 4 investigates the effect of the location of the fluoride-releasing device on the fluoride levels in saliva in adult human volunteers; [[,]] Example 5 investigates the effectiveness of powdered glass composition according to the present invention in releasing fluoride into saliva; Example 6 investigates the percentage fluoride retention for 82 samples of glass compositions according to the present invention; Example 7 investigates the effect of varying melt time and temperature on the solubility and fluoride retention of the composition and with reference to the accompanying drawings in which:

Please insert the heading "**DETAILED DESCRIPTION**" between paragraphs [025] and [026].